



## Newsletter From the Principal

Term 3 Week 4

Friday, 17th August, 2018

We had perfect weather and many visitors at our Education Week Open Day last week. It was such a proud moment for our school to see the support of our school community at the Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) launch followed by PBL activities and lots of visitors 'getting their hands dirty' with PBL painting activities in our open classrooms. We hope you enjoyed the performances where every student had their time to smile and shine. I would like to acknowledge the efforts of our staff and students in preparing and presenting our Education Week activities.

### EXERCISE

Your children may be coming home and talking about extra exercise they are doing at school. As part of our wellbeing program, we are aiming to boost physical activity for our students by integrating short sessions of fitness throughout the day. Students have already improved in their stamina in just a few weeks. Improving our fitness helps with focus and concentration, improves mental health and reduces the risk of major diseases and illnesses in the future.

### KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

We had a wonderful morning on Tuesday with our prospective Kindergarten 2019 families who enjoyed a tour led by our School Captains. If you know of any families who are still to enrol, please let them know to visit our office and complete an enrolment form.



### PLEASE RESPECT OUR NEIGHBOURS

We have had discussions with our students about soccer balls being kicked over school fences. Whilst we understand that our playground does share fences with residential properties and that balls do accidentally end up in neighbour's yards, we have asked students to play with soccer balls well away from neighbour's fences to avoid this happening and then losing them. We do not expect our neighbours to continue throwing the balls back over the fence and when they kindly do so, the balls often do not have names on them and are difficult to trace back to their owner. I was most disappointed to hear of two incidents of parents trespassing to get their child's ball and even being rude to our neighbours when doing so. This behaviour is most unacceptable and we ask that you do not consider this as an acceptable action in the future. Students are always asked not to bring any valuable items to school and this includes expensive soccer or footy balls. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

### POP-UP SCHOOL UPDATE

Construction of the pop-up school is picking up pace this week, with fencing going up around the site and mesh banners covering the existing fencing on Henry Lawson Drive.



### TERM 3

#### Week 5

- Mon 20 Aug** District Athletics
- Wed 22 Aug** Book Parade
- Fri 24 Aug** PSSA Finals

#### Week 6 WELLBEING WEEK

- Mon 27 Aug** District Athletics
- Tues 28 Aug** Debate—10am  
Yr5 GRC
- Thur 30 Aug** St 1 Excursion

#### Week 7

- Mon 3 Sept** Regional Spelling Bee
- Tues 4 Sept** Combined Schools Music Festival

#### Week 8

- Mon 10 Sept** P&C—7pm

#### Week 9

- Tues 18 Sept** Stage 2 Excursion
- Fri 21 Sept** PSSA Rd 1

#### Week 10

- Tues 25 Sept** School Public Speaking Finals
- Thur 27 Sept** Stage 2 Excursion

In late August and early September, School Infrastructure NSW will be holding two information sessions to give the community a general update on the construction of the pop-up school, plus some further detail about the improvements planned for our school like new playground equipment and the library upgrade.

These information sessions will have a similar format to the one held at our school back in June, with information presented on display boards and staff present who can answer any questions you might have. Members of both our school community and the wider community are welcome to attend either of these sessions. Details are on the flyer at the end of this newsletter.

## BOOK PARADE

This Wednesday is our Book Parade. We look forward to seeing you and all our book characters at the parade under the COLA at 9.40am. Our Book Fair where you can purchase books to donate to the school or for yourself will be held later in the year.

Let us remember: One book, one pen, one child and one teacher can change the world – Malala Yousafzai

Have a great fortnight,

*Tanya Sarafoski*

## Sport Cavalcade



Wk 3 Rd 8	Seniors	Juniors
<b>Boys Soccer</b>	V Peakhurst Sth DRAW 0—0	V Peakhurst Sth LOST 0—3
<b>Girls Soccer</b>	V Peakhurst Sth LOST 3—5	V Peakhurst Sth DRAW 2—2
<b>Girls Netball</b>	V Oatley West WON forfeit	V Oatley West LOST 2—22
<b>Mixed Newcombe</b>	V Hurstville Sth WON 3—0	V Hurstville Sth LOST 1—2
<b>Lawn Bowls</b>	Shot of the day—Suzanne Most improved—Stephen & Anabelle	

Wk 4 Rd 9	Seniors	Juniors
<b>Boys Soccer</b>	V Penshurst W WON 5—0	V Penshurst W LOST 1—2
<b>Girls Soccer</b>	V Oatley LOST 0—5	V Oatley LOST 0—6
<b>Girls Netball</b>	V Oatley LOST 6—24	V Oatley WON 10—5
<b>Mixed Newcombe</b>	V Peakhurst WON 3—0	V Peakhurst LOST 0—3
<b>Lawn Bowls</b>	Shot of the day—Zeyad Most improved—Brandon	

*Rd 9 is the last week of the season—Gala Day for qualifying teams Wk 10—GOOD LUCK ALL TEAMS!*

## Stewart House Bags

Please support Stewart House by returning the plastic bags sent home today with clothing items you no longer need.

Every year 1,800 public school children attend Stewart House and during a 12 day stay they are provided with dental, optical, hearing and medical screening and treatment. This experience provides children with a much needed break from their current circumstance.

**Please return bags before Monday 3 September.**



Zeyad is a regular helper around our gardens

# A Fiver for a Farmer

Our SRC recently organised and ran a fundraiser to help our farmers during the drought. Families were asked to donate a five dollar note and the teachers and students dressed as farmers to show their support for our country cousins. The event raised an amazing \$1016. One of our Year 6 students ran his own marshmallow stall and gave the money he raised to the cause.

Congratulations must go to our SRC for their initiative in raising money for this important cause.



**Right :**

*Harrison's marshmallow stall was very popular at recess.*



Our Staff joined in the spirit of the day to support our farmers— Yee Ha!

# A Walk Around *Our* School

Take the time to look & appreciate the wonder of nature



# PBL Mascot **PEAKY** Unveiled



*The PBL Committee Unveils our new mascot—PEAKY and the new signage*

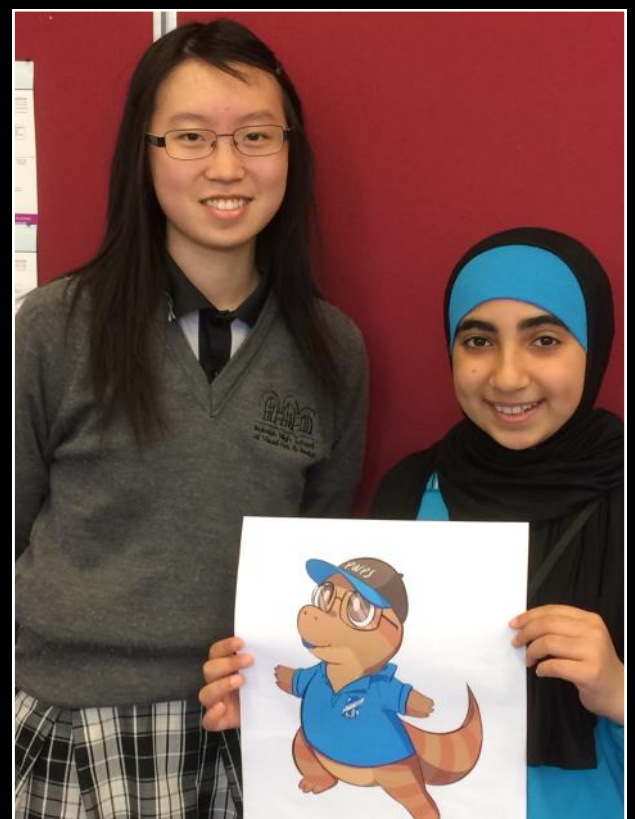


*Each Flag Assembly a member of the SRC discusses an aspect of our PBL program.*

Last year we held a competition to design a new mascot for our PBL (Positive Behaviour Learning) policy. The winner was Aliyah El Ammar who designed, **Peaky the Blue Tongue**. Her design was developed by art student, Alice. Last week Aliyah visited Alice to see the process involved in creating the final product. A special thanks must go to **Mr Noel Miller** who printed the signage.



*Aliyah meets Alice from the Dulwich Hill High School of Visual Arts and Design.*



# Writers' Corner

In the Stage 3 school magazine was a short story about Ned Kelly, entitled, **The Green Sash**. This sparked some interest in poetry writing. Eric recounted this true story about Ned as a twelve year old boy. Following is a poem about Ned at the end of his life by Sonja.



## Not for the Faint Hearted

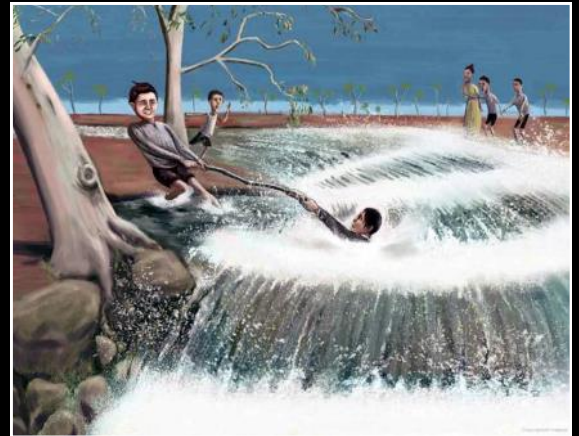
Bravery is not for the faint hearted,  
Not for the weak, the scared but the bold.  
Ned Kelly hit the icy-cold water and his rescue had started,  
No fears, no queries, forget about the burning cold.

On a log, the frightened boy was resting,  
Till the water devoured him whole.  
Ned's thoughts were beyond the water's painful sting,  
But to the boy, who waved his arms like a frightened soul.

His arm reached out, Ned heaved him up,  
Onto Ned's shoulders—the boy coughed.  
Dick's parents gave Ned, steaming hot cocoa to the brim of the cup,  
And fed him food which he willingly scoffed.

Next day at school Ned slumped on his desk and learnt,  
Till Mr Shelton meandered in.  
A shiny green sash was draped around Ned's shoulders,  
Would this redeem his future sin?

Or at least, he thought it would—  
*"Such is life!"*



**Eric Broekhuis**

# Writers' Corner Continued

Ned Kelly

Oh, revenge I seek,  
In my iron suit.  
Through the bush I peek,  
I gather loot in my boot.

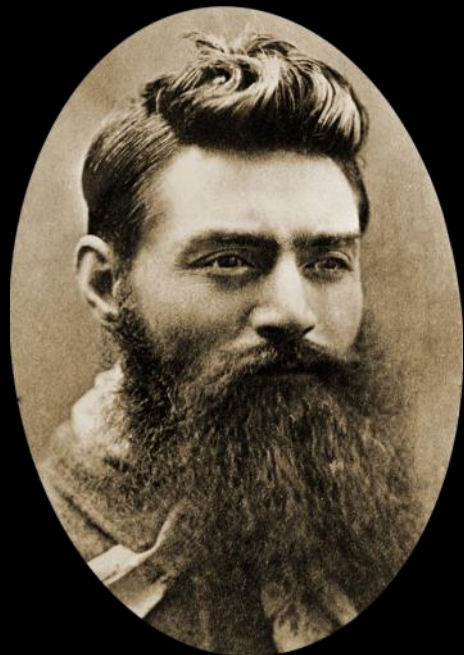


A ranger I am,  
I travel through the land.  
The man of the house,  
The drummer of the band.



This policeman I see,  
Will take my sister—  
Away from her family,  
But I shot this man in the hand.

The gang has perished,  
Soon there will be no more.  
One last say I get,  
And I speak the famous words—  
**"SUCH IS LIFE!"**  
The last words of an outlaw.



by Sonja

# From the Easel

Here are some artworks created by 2WS and a collage and poem by Vienne 5/6B



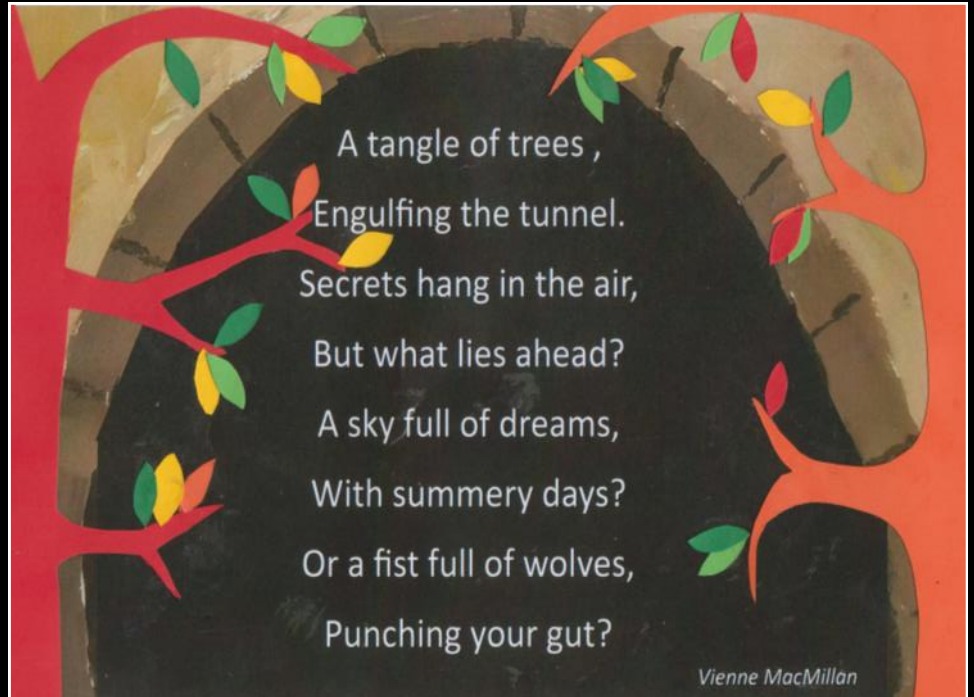
Eleanor



Jovan



Penny



Vienne

Stage Two did a Topic on China last term . Here are some yin & yang designs by 2/3P



Havana



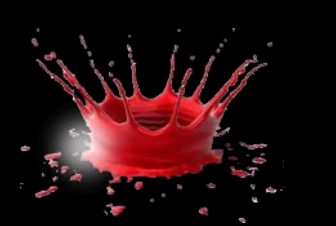
James



# From the Easel

Stage three finished their Science topic on Light by doing a project—here are some canvases that explore the theme—

*Let there be Light!*



Jacinta



Dzemaal



Isaac



Alex



Bird at Athletics Carnival—Zeyad

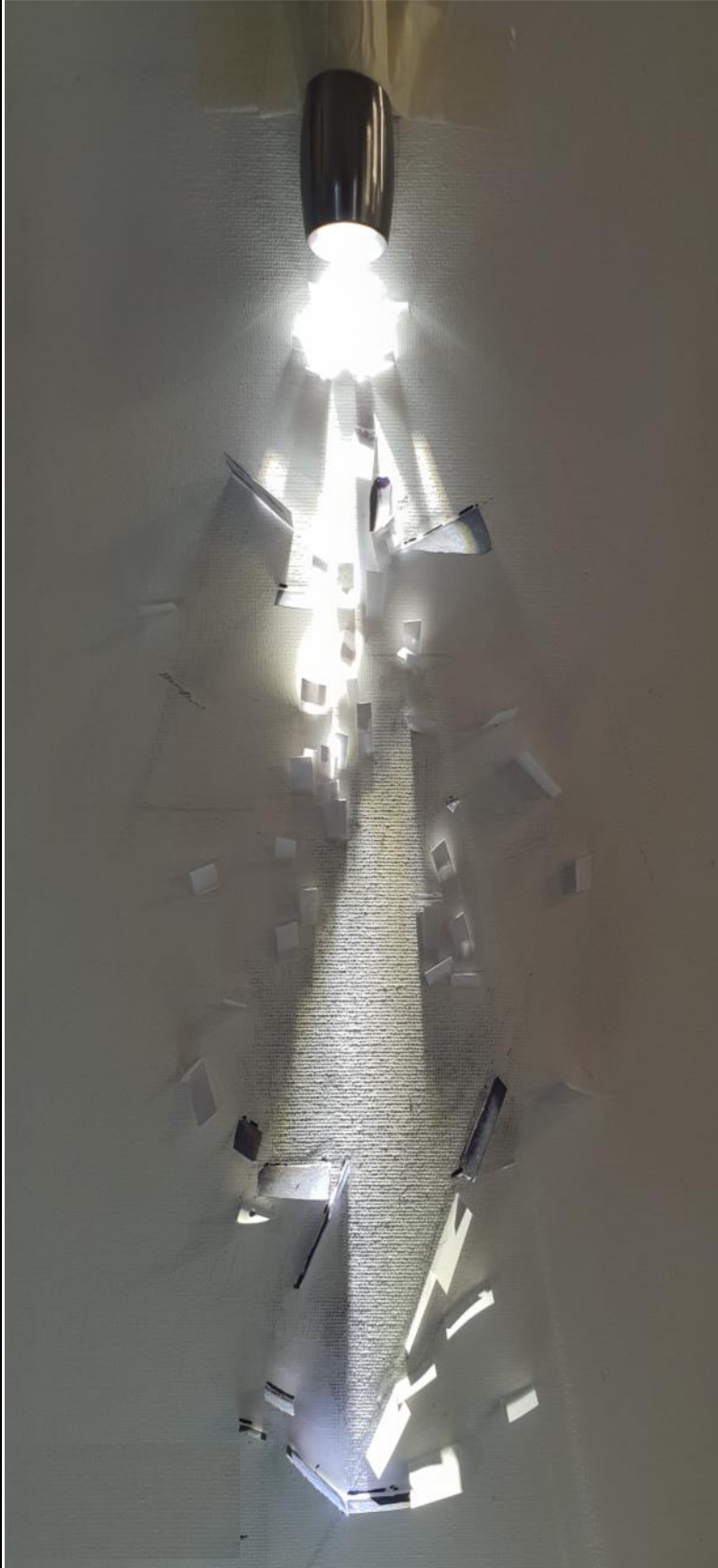


Fatema



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Lightning Bolt—Cooper



Thomas Edison—Jarred

# What's 3L been Up to?

*The students of 3L have been working very hard throughout the year and have produced some amazing work.*

## Writing



The students of 3L worked in groups to write a children's book based on Dreamtime stories about how Australian animals got their distinct features. Some of the children were very proud of their work and ventured down to the infants classrooms, where they entertained the younger children with their stories. The students found this experience valuable and enjoyed writing for a specific audience and purpose.

## Visual Arts

Throughout the first semester, 3L created some artworks linked to the History and Geography units of work. The explosion of colour shown in these pictures represents fireworks, which are regularly used to celebrate significant events. We thought that this was an ideal way to complete our unit of work about Celebrations. The students also attempted to paint characters in Chinese, using the fine art of calligraphy. This artwork was linked to our unit of work about China.



AUGUST 2018

# The Pop-Up School for Penhurst Public School



## You are invited to an information drop-in session at Peakhurst West Public School

We are providing a progress update to the community on the pop-up school at Peakhurst West at two upcoming information sessions, where we will give you the latest information on the:

- construction of the pop-up school
- Development Application for the temporary uplift in student numbers, which is expected to be determined by Georges River Council in September 2018
- traffic management plan for the pop-up school, which will be finalised in September 2018
- improvements planned for Peakhurst West Public School.



### Information sessions

#### Information session 1

**Where:** Peakhurst West Public School, under the covered outdoor learning area (COLA)

**Date:** Tuesday 28 August

**Time:** 3:00pm – 7:30pm (drop in at any time)

#### Information session 2

**Where:** Peakhurst West Public School, under the covered outdoor learning area (COLA)

**Date:** Saturday 1 September

**Time:** 9:00am – 11:00am (drop in at any time)

## Timeline for the pop-up school

<b>February</b> 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lodgement of Development Application to Georges River Council for temporary increase in student numbers at Peakhurst West Public School</li></ul>
<b>August - November</b> 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Construction of pop-up school</li></ul>
<b>September</b> 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Finalise traffic management plan</li></ul>
<b>January</b> 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Penhurst Public School students start at pop-up school at Peakhurst West Public School</li></ul>
<b>Mid</b> 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students move into the upgraded Penhurst Public School</li></ul>
<b>Late</b> 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The pop-up school is dismantled and the site returned to its original condition</li></ul>

## More information

You can contact us with any questions at:



[schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au)



[www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au](http://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au)



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# KINDERGARTEN 2019

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## SCHOOL TOUR

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Tuesday  
14 August, 2018  
10am

## ORIENTATION

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Wednesday  
17 October, 2018

Thursday  
25 October, 2018

each session  
runs 10-11am



PHONE 9153 9767  
OGILVY STREET, PEAKHURST NSW 2210

Date: 17 August 2018

Hi families

This week the children drew pictures and wrote letters for our farmers in need. These pictures and letters the children created are going to go in care packages which will be delivered to our farmers. Thank you for the feedback we received on our July Vacation Care. We have used this positive feedback to inform our October Vacation Care program.

The October Vacation Care program will be released soon and once released there will be an email notifying families to book in for the exciting days planned. We look forward to seeing you all.

PROGRAM

This week at Peakhurst West, the children have enjoyed group games which include Musical Statues and Musical Chairs.

A group of children used their imagination to create Book Week theme craft. The children drew and decorated their drawings of who they will dress up as for the Book Week parade next week.

The children showed a great interest in the new board games that are at the centre.

The loose parts and LEGO creations have been a big hit this week!

Letters and Pictures for the Farmer



UPCOMING CENTRE EVENTS

Book Week - 18th - 24th August  
Eid Al-Adha - 21st August  
Keep Australia Beautiful Week - 20th - 26th August

CHILDREN'S INPUT

"I am drawing my mermaid I will be for book week. I have pink hair!" - S.M

"Look I made this all by myself" - A.A

FEEDBACK/STAFF UPDATE.

Dawn Simons Regional Manager  
Deanne Psomas Nominated Supervisor/Coordinator  
Victoria Grima Certified Supervisor/ Assistant Coordinator

Next week's menu:

Mon	Homemade Pumpkin Soup Pumpkin and Potato Served with Bread - Fresh Fruit Platter
Tues	Crackers and Spreads Sao crackers with choice of spreads - Fruit and Veggie Platter
Wed	Assorted Sandwiches Jam, cream cheese, vegemite - Fresh Fruit Platter
Thurs	Yoghurt with Raisin Toast Vanilla yoghurt and Raisin Toast - Fresh Fruit Platter
Fri	Homemade Apple and Cinnamon Muffins Fruit and Vegetable Platter



Musical Statues

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## St George Little Athletics Centre Inc

I'm writing to request your assistance in informing your students about an opportunity to trial the wonderful sport of "Little Athletics" during August.

Athletics is a foundation for all sports and a wonderful way for children to have fun while developing skills and fitness. And as the sport operates over the warmer months (September to March) it's also a great way to build and maintain fitness in preparation for the winter 'football' sports.

**St George Little Athletics Centre** is offering a period of **FREE Trials & Training**, particularly for young people who'd like to *try out* athletics under expert guidance *before* deciding to join up:

**Where:** Olds Park, Penshurst (park in the car park accessed via Holley Rd / Olds Park Lane)

**When:** Every Friday in August from 5 to 6:30pm

**More Info:** See our website [www.stgeorgelac.org.au](http://www.stgeorgelac.org.au) or email: [info@stgeorgelac.org.au](mailto:info@stgeorgelac.org.au)

Parents can call or Text our Coach, Samantha Latanis on 0413 433 253

**St George Little Athletics Centre** conducts a regular program of events on Friday evenings at Olds Park Penshurst from 6pm and offers a range of age-group based events including Shot Put, Discus, Javelin, Long Jump, High Jump, Triple Jump, Sprints and Distance events.

Registrations for the coming season will open *from* 1<sup>st</sup> August with our first 'competition night' being 7 September.

St George Little Athletics Centre Inc is a Registered Association affiliated with Little Athletics NSW and has been operating in the St George area for nearly 50 years.